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1 specificity what it was that you used in calculating

2 the information that's actually on the chart. So

3 that -- for instance, what's the length of time that

was used in creating the chart? You'd mentioned at

5 some point that it was a three-month period?

A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] Yes, May through June. Do 6 7 you want to know the numbers that are behind the 8 bar?

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CHAIRMAN CONNELLY: That's something you can give us now?

WITNESS THOMAS MAGUIRE: Yes.

13 A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] Receipt to appointment for 14 retail was 28 hours. Receipt to dispatch for retail

15 was 17 hours. Receipt to clear was 22 hours.

16 Receipt to appointment for a --

17 CHAIRMAN CONNELLY: You're going down to 18

A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] Receipt to appointment for 19

20 wholesale was 25 1/2. Receipt to dispatch for

21 wholesale was 19 hours. Receipt to clear for

22 wholesale was 41 hours.

23 Q. And if I were to turn to the carrier-to-

24 carrier guidelines that have been provided for the

and we went into the NORD system and asked them for

that information. Then we turned around and said,

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3 okay, maybe we're dispatching out later and that's

4 driving the extended interval, so we asked what's

5 the average time between when we receive a trouble 6

and we dispatch a trouble.

7 Within that big span of time from read 8 to clear there's other things that happen, and 9 depending on what report we might ask, we could 10 possibly go in there and pull some of this 11 information out.

MR. McDONALD: All that having been said, I guess I would just renew my request to actually find out the background data that was used to calculate this specifically.

MS. CARPINO: We'll make that proposed Record Request F.

(RECORD REQUEST.)

19 MR. ROWE: Ms. Carpino, there may be proprietary concerns in that data. We'd certainly 20 21 be happy to furnish the Commission with what it 22 asked for, but we would not furnish the information 23 to any other CLEC.

MS. CARPINO: We'll take a look at it.

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period covered by this. I'd be able to find those numbers someplace in there?

2 3 A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] No. I'd find receipt to

clear as MTTR. The customers are not carrier-to-4 5 carrier numbers. As I described them earlier, MTTRs

6 is mean time to restore, so how long it takes us

7 from the receipt of the trouble to the time that the

8 trouble is resolved. So inside that, inside that

9 window, different things take place. Traditionally,

10 going back to the days of LMOS, the LMO system, we

used to track things like how long it took to test. 11

12 This is before a lot of the mechanization came into

1.3 place. So they used to have metrics like receipt to

14 test, receipt to screen, just to make sure that we

15 were trying to get things done as expeditiously as 16 possible.

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So while we were looking at the MTTR to try to figure out what was driving the delta between retail and wholesale. I wanted to make sure, for example, that we weren't giving out different

21 appointments outside to the wholesale people as

22 opposed to the retail people. So we started looking

23 at what's the average interval from receipt to when

24 the appointment was established? And so we went out MR. ROWE: Thank you.

2 MS. CARPINO: Should we decide to

forward the request on.

4 Ms. Lichtenberg?

MS. LICHTENBERG: Just a couple of questions for those of us who are mathematically

7 disadvantaged.

CROSS-EXAMINATION

9 BY MS. LICHTENBERG:

Q. The X axis is how long?

11 A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] In this particular --

O. On this Page 3.

13 A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] If I said it was 41 hours,

14 I would imagine -- if the receipt-to-clear for

15 wholesale was 41 hours, the X axis is pretty close

16 to 41 hours.

O. So this bottom X axis is 41 hours.

18 A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] I think you're missing the

19 point. The graphic is for illustrative purposes

20 only. It's not -- it's just to show that there's a

21 difference between the results. I didn't put

22 together a standard, you know, how many hours across

23 the bottom and another variable across the Y axis.

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Page 4305 so we'd understand what was there. Having said 2 that, 41 is a good number. Q. But the graphic was created using some sort 3 4 of numeric data; correct? 5 A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] Yes. 6 O. And again, was there any residential data 7 included? 8 A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] Possibly. I didn't 9 differentiate by class of service. 10 Q. Now I'm confused again. You told me neither 11 UNE-P nor resale was covered on this. So would it 12 be residential T1 users or --13 A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] There's UNE loops that go 14 15 Q. So there is some residential data in terms 16 of UNE loops. 17 A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] Yes. 18 Q. And if I were to look at your 28 hours for 19 retail from receipt to appointment and then the 22 hours receipt to clear, that's after the 28 hours 20 21 when I got my appointment it took me 22 hours to 22 clear it?

to factor out the no-access rate in terms of how many of these troubles actually required access other than to Verizon-owned facilities.

A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] No. That wasn't the intent of the chart.

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Q. So that when you talk about no access, it is for those troubles where there was some need for access.

A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] Yes.

10 Q. So it is some subset.

A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] Yes.

MS. LICHTENBERG: Thank you.

WITNESS THOMAS MAGUIRE: For clarification purposes, when I send the electronic

15 copies, I will call the first chart Page 1,

16 Maintenance Variables, I'll call the second chart

17 Page 2, and I'll entitle it Maintenance Variables

18 Including Line Share; and then Page 3 will remain as

19 Race to Resolution -- just for clarification

20 purposes.21 CF

CHAIRMAN CONNELLY: That shouldn't disturb anyone reading this, as I remember the transcript. You'd make no other changes in it.

MS. CARPINO: Thank you. Is there

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A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] If you look at the Y axis, the Y axis is when we received the trouble. This is a combination of bar chart, Gantt chart, PERT chart. Again, it's a graphic; it's not something that I'm looking to put exact times on it. But be that as it may, if you look at the Y axis, you could say that

7 is when we received all the troubles. So, for 8 example, the Y axis is today at noon, and if you

A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] No.

Q. I'm sorry; I'm confused.

9 looked at the retail appointment that was given, it

would be 28 hours from noon, so 4:00 o'clock

tomorrow afternoon. If you looked at the receipt to

dispatch, it would only be 17 hours from noon. If you looked at receipt to clear, it would be 22 hours

14 from noon -- and so on.15 O. And when you say

Q. And when you say dispatch, do you mean solely dispatch to the customer premise, or do you include dispatch any other -- into the central office, out of the central office? What is the definition of dispatch?

definition of dispatch?
 A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] I believe it's just

dispatch. It's dispatch in, dispatch out. It's just set up and dispatched out. It's dispatched to

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Q. So there is no way, I guess, with this data

anything further? Does the Bench have any questions? Hearing none, let's move along to Mr. Oxman's witnesses. Would you like to introduce your witnesses for us?

MR. OXMAN: Thank you, Ms. Carpino.

Jason Oxman on behalf of Covad Communications. I'm joined today by Minda Cutcher, vice-president of ILEC relations, based here in Massachusetts; John Berard, director of ILEC relations for Covad, also based here in Massachusetts; and Michael Clancy, director of ILEC relations, based in New York. The

director of ILEC relations, based in New York. The panel is assembled to address issues related to DSL

loops, and with the permission of the Bench, wewould like to make a brief opening statement.

MS. CARPINO: Why don't we first introduce all the witnesses and I'll swear in the witnesses that haven't already received the oath.

MS. SCARDINO: Before we proceed, it was my understanding that we were going to have the Bell Atlantic panel do the DSL, their testimony that they had on DSL loops, before the CLEC panel. Or are we

proceeding with the CLEC panel first?

MS. CARPINO: We're still doing the miscellaneous non-DSL issues. But I'll swear in all

Page 4309 Page 4311 the witnesses. If there's no discussion on that, functionality, and later we upgraded the equipment 2 then we'll move along. Ms. Scardino, do you have a to GR-303, but we didn't upgrade all of the OSS 2 3 witness? 3 support of that. So the equipment is capable of 4 MS. SCARDINO: Mr. Williams from Rhythms handling GR-303, but we don't have all of the 4 5 will be testifying on DSL loop provisioning. 5 functionality and systems work to make it flow MS. CARPINO: Mr. McDonald? 6 6 through like GR-303. 7 MR. McDONALD: Ms. Lichtenberg from 7 MS. CARPINO: These are all residences 8 WorldCom will be testifying on DSL issues. 8 or some business --9 MS. CARPINO: Are there any other 9 WITNESS WHITE: It's predominantly 10 witnesses? 10 residential. Why don't we have all of the witnesses 11 11 **EXAMINATION** BY MS. HONG: 12 12 stand. 13 MINDA J. CUTCHER, JOHN BERARD, MICHAEL 13 Q. I have a couple of questions to Ms. 14 CLANCY, SHERRY LICHTENBERG, and Lichtenberg. Could you turn to your joint 14 declaration, Paragraph 29. 15 ROBERT G. WILLIAMS, Witnesses 15 16 MS. CARPINO: Do you swear or affirm 16 A. [LICHTENBERG] Yes. 17 that the testimony you are about to provide is the 17 O. You mentioned Exhibit G that is attached to another joint declaration submitted by MCI; right? 18 whole truth? 18 19 19 THE WITNESSES: I do. A. [LICHTENBERG] Yes. 20 MS. CARPINO: In addition, do you adopt 20 Q. It's about how to unbundle IDLC loops using statements you made before this Commission last year 21 four methods; right? 22 in this proceeding on this issue? 22 A. [LICHTENBERG] That's correct. 23 23 THE WITNESSES: Yes, I do. O. Is that document the same as that MCI 24 MS. CARPINO: Thank you. You may be submitted to the FCC and the FCC quoted in the UNE Page 4310 Page 4312 remand order? Would you check that? seated. ı 1 2 MR. McDONALD: We'll check, and if 2 Do any of the witnesses have statements 3 3 to make on non-DSL issues? possible --4 Ms. Reed, do you have any questions to 4 Q. It's the UNE remand order, Paragraph 217, 5 5 Footnote 417. ask of these witnesses? MS. REED: I do not, Madam Hearing MR. McDONALD: Could you just repeat 6 6 7 7 Officer. that, please? 8 8 MS. CARPINO: Does Verizon have any MS. HONG: Paragraph 217, Footnote 417. 9 9 questions? MR. McDONALD: We'll respond by the end 10 MR. ROWE: We do not. 10 of the day, if possible; if not, by tomorrow. 11 MS. CARPINO: The Bench does have a 11 Q. Regarding unbundling of IDLC loops: Verizon in its supplemental checklist affidavit, paragraphs 12 question for Verizon. In response to an information 12 13 request of WorldCom you indicated that you did have 13 from 120 to 123, Verizon stated that it requested 14 some fiber to the curb with respect to GR-303, and 14 MCI-W to address specific questions that Verizon 15 which we weren't sure what "fiber to the curb" 15 submitted to analyze MCI-W's unbundling proposal, 16 meant. Is there one of the witnesses that can 16 but they have not received a detailed proposal. Do 17 17 you have any updated information on that? answer that? 18 WITNESS WHITE: We have installed some 18 MR. McDONALD: I'm not sure that this 19 fiber to the curb in Massachusetts, and that is 19 witness knows the answer to this question, but 20 actually the fiber -- we have seen electronics that 20 that's something else that I should be able to check 21 go to an RT. This is a very small RT that goes 21 22 right on a pole in front of the customer's house. 22 (Pause.) 23 It serves the customers in that house. The 23 MR. McDONALD: Based on a question the technology was originally deployed with TR 08 24 Bench asked of Verizon, I believe Ms. Lichtenberg

Page 4313 1 has a question of Verizon. 2 MS. LICHTENBERG: In your answer that 3 there is fiber to the curb in certain areas of the 4 Commonwealth for residential customers, will we be 5 able to offer UNE-P for each of those customers 6 based on fiber to the curb? 7 WITNESS ALBERT: Are you saying UNE-P? 8 Yes. 9 MS. LICHTENBERG: And will you require 10 any unbundling, if you will, of the IDLC circuits. or will you just -- how will you handle the offer of 11 12 UNE-P? 13 WITNESS ALBERT: If they're to be served 14 with UNE-P, physical facilities that serve them 15 today will continue to serve them as they are. 16 MS. LICHTENBERG: Thank you. 17 MS. CHIN: I have a clarifying question. 18 If we could just go back to the Race to Resolution. 19 Mr. Maguire. The receipt on all this, that's the 20 exact same receipt that we were talking about, where 21 it's resale or wholesale; right? That's the same 22 point in time? 23 WITNESS THOMAS MAGUIRE: Yes.

MS. CHIN: So in between that is the

WITNESS THOMAS MAGUIRE: If you're going

appointment, the dispatch, and then the clear?

to put them in chronological order, I would put

MS. CHIN: So just looking at the

MS. CHIN: So why is it 22 hours,

whereas just receipt to appointment is 28 hours?

individuals rather than as subsets of each other.

So if you were looking at the life of the trouble,

typical trouble, you would take it in at Point Zero,

and the appointment would be at Point 25, and we

and fix it prior to the appointment. So that's why

independent bars, rather -- because they could be

subsets of one another. For this chart, it assumes

you have to dispatch in order to clear it and you

I was describing -- maybe I confused people

would endeavor to dispatch prior to the appointment

unnecessarily by making them independent charts or

have to have an appointment, because once you take a

clear. Shouldn't that encompass the appointment and

WITNESS THOMAS MAGUIRE: Yes.

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trouble you have to give it an appointment. 2 So they're all piece parts of each 3 other. They're not additive. They're not 4 aggregates. 5 Did that help? 6 The purpose of the chart is to show 7 quite simply -- it's not meant -- the reason I didn't put the numbers down is because I didn't want 9 to confuse anybody with the numbers. I just wanted 10 to simply point out, if you looked at --11 Let's say I had three separate charts 12 and I wanted to compare the appointments, or the receipt to appointment for retail versus wholesale. 13 We'd see two bars next to each other and they'd be 14 15 pretty close to the same. If I wanted to look at 16 receipt to dispatch, you would have two bars next to 17 each other, and they would look pretty much close to 18 the same. If you looked at receipt to clear, there 19 would be, you know, a dissimilarity between the 20 retail and wholesale. 21 So rather than have three individual

charts, I just decided to clump them together, and

WITNESS WHITE: The clock is running.

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We receive a trouble, if we had a wholesale and 2 retail, we dispatch them at the same time. So we're 3 giving equal service when we dispatch. However, if 4 5 6 7 8 9 the final time. 10 11 WITNESS THOMAS MAGUIRE: Look at them as 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21

this is the end result.

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we don't get enough information, if they tell us the trouble is out when it's in, we end up with a double dispatch and it takes longer than it should. If we get out there and we can't get access and we have to go back later in the day, all those things extend WITNESS THOMAS MAGUIRE: The reason I put Race to Resolution, I was thinking in terms of a horse race. The horses are in the gate. They each represent a trouble. They go off. They know where they have to finish. Their appointment is to go around the track once. They both take off at the same time, they're both running at the same time, it just takes one to get to the gate, coming around the finish line, a little bit longer -- in this case, much longer than the other. So that was the whole conceptual thing I had going there. Does that make sense? 22 CHAIRMAN CONNELLY: Sort of a Guys and 23 Dolls explanation. 24 MS. LICHTENBERG: I am more confused and

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would like to ask a couple more questions.

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MS. CARPINO: Ms. Lichtenberg.

MS. LICHTENBERG: You said that they're dispatched at the same time. So is there some reason that receipt to dispatch for retail is 17 hours but for wholesale is 19 hours?

7 WITNESS THOMAS MAGUIRE: I'm going to 8 reexplain that the way I explained that. Look at 9 them as three individual charts. They're not 10 dispatched at exactly the same time. The purpose of 11 the chart is to show that there's no great difference, looking at these couple of data points. 13 between the dispatch interval, receipt-to-dispatch 14 interval for retail and wholesale. There's a 15 two-hour difference, but I doubt that two-hour difference is leading to the dissimilarity in the 16 17 clear times.

WITNESS WHITE: You can have examples where you need to dispatch and test with a CLEC and they're not open on Sunday, so we would have to wait to dispatch until Monday. So there are situations where you would have to do it.

23 But that's not the bigger problem. The 24 bigger problem is the information we get doesn't I could certainly, particularly in terms

1 of multiple dispatch -- the more knowledge that I 3 can impart to my own trouble-handling folks about 4 something like multiple dispatch, the more that I

5 can try to cut down on that.

CHAIRMAN CONNELLY: Let's go back to first principles. You introduced this chart in order to help the Department improve the record in 9 this case, so that we, the Department, can 10 understand a point that or points you wish this

chart to make in discharging our consultative role 11

under 271 with the FCC. So I would suggest that we 13 take under advisement what this lady has said and we

will frame, if we deem it meet, a record request 14

that tries to illuminate some of the questions that 15

have arisen. Whether the questions are relevant or 16

not, they still are questions about a chart that you

18 have introduced, and I think there's certainly an

19 incumbency on your part to make your own creature

20 clear to us. So you will hear back from us on that.

21 Thank you -- probably in the form of a record

22 request, but we'll sort that out in accordance with

23 the ground rules. 24

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tell us whether to go in or out accurately. The bigger problem is when we get out there the customer didn't expect us, the customer is on vacation.

MS. LICHTENBERG: So, again -- maybe if we just had a couple of pieces of information we'd stop getting confused by this thing. Could we possibly get the no-access rate for retail and the no-access rate for wholesale? These are the numbers in the bottom right-hand corner of this third page. The multiple-dispatch number for retail and the multiple-dispatch number for wholesale; and the duration of I-codes for retail and wholesale.

WITNESS THOMAS MAGUIRE: Maybe I'm missing something, but I don't know how any of that information would help you understand the chart.

MS. LICHTENBERG: Well, you're telling me that my customers have five times the no-access rate, but you're not telling me what the no-access rate is on retail and what makes up that rate and what the no-access rate is on wholesale and what makes up that rate. If I understood that, I could work with my own people to understand how we would better plan for access and work better with Verizon to try to bring down these rates.

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MS. CARPINO: Before we leave the subject, Ms. Lichtenberg, would you like to 3 summarize again for us that information?

MS. LICHTENBERG: Yes. I would like --CHAIRMAN CONNELLY: I think you did already.

MS. LICHTENBERG: I think I did. MS. CARPINO: You were able to get it all in?

MS. LICHTENBERG: It's just the lower right-hand corner, the numbers that drove that.

MR. McDONALD: If the record request that I had posed earlier about getting all the information would answer that question --

CHAIRMAN CONNELLY: We will take into account what you asked for, too, in formulating a record request if we deem it to be useful to us. MR. McDONALD: Thank you.

18 19 CHAIRMAN CONNELLY: I just want to get

20 out of this eddy. This is getting comical. 21 MS. CARPINO: Are there any other 22 questions?

23 I will make a proposed record request as 24 well. I'm interested in CLEC-specific numbers you

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WITNESS ABESAMIS: I'll check and see if that is available.

7 MS. CARPINO: Shall we move along to DSL 8 issues? There is a presentation?

MR. ROWE: Verizon has the same 10 panelists as we did for loops generally. Mr. White has a brief statement with respect to Covad 12 record-request responses received yesterday on which 13 he has been working to develop an understanding and

an answer. And Ms. Abesamis has a brief fill-in for 14 her testimony. Page 10, Paragraph 22, regarding due

dates requested and due dates offered. 16

17 AMY STERN, THOMAS MAGUIRE, DONALD

ALBERT, JOHN WHITE, and BETH

19 ABESAMIS, Witnesses

20 MS. CARPINO: Mr. White?

21 WITNESS WHITE: Thank you. Late

22 yesterday I received the Covad answers to the DTE,

23 and I want to specifically talk about three. They

haven't been fully investigated in the short

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mean by no-access issues? You mentioned that was 12 2 percent.

3 WITNESS WHITE: We have provided to the 4 CLEC that we went out there and we weren't able to get either to the customer or into the customer's terminal to work on it, and we have notified Covad that they have a no-access condition and they're going to reset up another appointment for us.

COMMISSIONER VASINGTON: Thank you. MS. CARPINO: And you will provide those results, of course, to Covad?

WITNESS WHITE: Yes, we will. That's the first one.

14 The second one, the Department of 15 Telecommunications and Energy in DTE No. 9 asked for

copies of failed loop lists submitted to Bell 16 17 Atlantic. What I see in this attachment, which is

18 also labeled proprietary, are the lists that we

19 provide Covad, not lists that Covad provides us.

20 It's a snapshot of the order status for each day in

21 the month of July. We generated the list. They are

22 not the final status on those orders, but they

23 provide Covad with a management view, I'll call it,

24 so that they know what we've completed, so that they

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interval, but I do have some material that shows that they are inaccurate and misleading.

The first one is DTE No. 3. You had asked to provide evidence showing that BA has a backlog of Covad orders. The document that was produced was labeled proprietary. I think I'll leave off the quantities and just talk percentages of what I've seen in the document. I think that could be provided.

We looked at almost 100 percent of the orders. The work was just finished early this morning. What we found is, of this list, this very, very long list of backlog, 22 percent of them Covad had given us a serial number and counted them as complete. 7 percent had been canceled. 12 percent had no-access issues. 28 percent had been queried back to Covad for errors; they don't even appear to be Massachusetts purchase-order numbers. 31 percent came in and are due since the strike, so I'm hoping that those would not be counted. Which leaves less than I percent less the one day's work on the

Verizon backlog. That's our analysis so far, and I

can provide the detail probably later today. COMMISSIONER VASINGTON: What do you know what is no-access, so that they know what we

2 haven't dispatched on, where it's still in the 3 process of being worked, and they also know where

we're having facility problems -- and those facility problems, they would like us to try to continue to

work through to see if we could get to resolution.

MS. CARPINO: And how often do you provide those, Mr. White?

WITNESS WHITE: Every single day those lists are provided. Covad did provide every one for the month of July. They appear, in the limited time, that they are accurate. On those lists you

will see completed, no-access, canceled, and you 13 will notice that only 7 percent of the orders were 14

15 missed, we didn't get out on the appointed due date.

16 At least that was the status as of 4:00 o'clock that 17 night. In some cases we do get out and finish it a

18 little bit later and the statusing hasn't caught up.

So these aren't final results.

20 There were 17 percent on that list that 21 were no-access or canceled, which were the ones that 22 go back to Covad for review, to see if they can get

23 access so we can go back on them. And there were 17 24

percent that also had facility problems that we had

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- 1 worked on and we were unsuccessful so far, and in
- 2 some cases we may fix it later that night or we may
- 3 go back the next day. We make every attempt to
- 4 continue to work on the facility problems until we
- 5 finally say that, no, there are no copper
- 6 facilities, all these loops have to be on copper.
- 7 We haven't installed copper in the last ten years.
- 8 feeding our F1s, our feeder facilities, so finding a
- good copper pair spare is not easy. So this is an 9
- 10 issue with any of the xDSL that requires copper.

Those are very typical lists. I 12 certainly would not categorize it as failed-loop

13 issues. This was the process that we agreed and I 14

referenced in my May affidavit and the August

15 supplemental affidavit, where we talk about review

of work-order status and report results. This is 16

17 part of the process that we build.

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19 DTE-Covad-8, in which you asked for documentation.

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21 documentation, that says "ILEC-caused highlighted in

22 yellow." I don't know which ones were highlighted

23 in yellow because of my machine, so I would

24 certainly need additional detail. 1 4th. It's Page 10, Paragraph 22. In this paragraph

2 we stated that we conducted a special study that

3 measured the requested due date to the confirmed due

date that Verizon provides to the CLECs for the 4

5 month of June. I noted in the supplemental

affidavit at that paragraph that the complex orders 6

7 were excluded, and we didn't have an opportunity to

8 review the details of complex orders for six of the

Q CLECs, because the process of the simple matching of

10 requested due date to our confirmed due date is more

11 involved with complex orders.

12 Since our August 4th filing Ms. Canny 13 and myself have had an opportunity to examine over 14 3,000 local-service requests for complex orders.

Specifically I mean two-wire digital and two-wire 15

xDSL orders. At the first review the initial match 16

of requested dates to the confirmed dates was 71 17

percent. We said we needed to look further at this 18

process. As we reviewed it, it was noted that an 19

additional 7 percent of the orders that we initially 20 21 sorted as not matching were in fact provided -- the

22 confirmed due date that was provided was in

23 accordance to our carrier-to-carrier guidelines, the

orders had been received after 3:00 p.m., or an

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But to just look, that they're saying that 60 percent were ILECs-caused of the

3 cancellations. I'm at a loss to figure out, when I look at the list, how we can be blamed because a 4

5 loop is too long, and I can't even add up to get up

to the 60 percent unless I put in no ILEC 6

7 facilities, and even then I don't come up to what

8 they're claiming our problem is. So even with the

data on this piece of paper it doesn't match what

[() they say on this piece of paper.

> Again, the no-facility issues have to be recognized. This is technology that is looking for utilizing the frequencies on old copper cable, and we may or may not have those facilities out there.

That's the only ones I was able to peel 16 back. I would need certainly more information on 8 to go further. No. 3 is just such a mischaracterization.

18 19 I didn't get to the others. Most of the 20 others were, they said special studies were 21 required. They made claims without substantiation. 22

MR. ROWE: Ms. Abesamis?

23 WITNESS ABESAMIS: I'd like to refer you

to the supplemental-measurements affidavit of August

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additional 14 percent of the orders, almost 500 of them that we scored initially as a mismatch, were in fact confirmed with the carrier-to-carrier guideline

rules and business rules of the standard interval.

It left a very small portion, about 9 percent of the orders, that we needed to investigate further. In that we found that 95 percent of those orders were in fact given the correct interval based upon the fact that manual loop qualification was necessary on those orders. It's about 217 of those.

So just to note, virtually all the 3,000 orders that we reviewed for the complex -- or all 12 the requests, I'm sorry, that we reviewed for complex orders were in fact given the due date that was either requested or the due date that is designated in the carrier-to-carrier guidelines.

MS. CARPINO: Thank you.

MR. ROWE: That's all we have. 18

19 MS. CARPINO: Ms. Reed, do you have any

20 questions?

21 MS. REED: Yes, I do. This is for the

22 Verizon panel.

23 **CROSS-EXAMINATION**

24 BY MS. REED:

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O. I'm concerned about the DSL-OSS line-sharing systems that Verizon is, as I understand, under a commitment to deploy in Pennsylvania starting March 1st, 2001. My question is this for the panel -- and perhaps specifically to Mr. White: Has Verizon created any plans to mechanize the DSL line-sharing OSS's in any region besides Pennsylvania as of March 1st, 2001?

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A. [WHITE] This is a subject of the arbitration proceeding that we were having. But the software --

Let me first say that we're up and ready to do line-sharing now. I want to make that absolutely clear. We have the OSS's to take the orders from the CLECs. The only discussion here is that there's a Telcordia software package that impacts 11 of our systems in the company, where a code is being written and we're going to be updating those systems that will help our back-end work. It will help the flow-through for Bell Atlantic. As far as the CLECs are concerned, this is transparent to them.

We have established when we will get the code from Telcordia, and that is February 15th, and Page 4331

- Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission currently has
- before it a recommended decision by the Pennsylvania 2
- administrative law judge to have these line-sharing
- 4 OSS's in place by March 1st. We have many regions.
- 5 many states in the Verizon footprint, that want
- these. What I'm trying to find out is if there's a 6 7 plan in place today as to the rollout. That's what

8 I'm trying to find out. 9

A. [WHITE] The schedule of which state goes in which order has not been established, except for the order from the PUC in Pennsylvania. So Verizon has not put them in sequence.

But I'd still have to come back: It is not impacting the ability to order line-sharing. That can be done today. It is being done today.

16 O. But it does impact, does it not, whether those orders are processed manually or in a mechanized fashion. Am I correct on that?

A. [WHITE] Not to the CLEC. The CLEC gets 20 mechanized. So the CLECs have a mechanized

21 interface and they will utilize the mechanized

interface. There are additional steps that we have 22

23 to do internally because we don't have all of the

code built to take all these fields and the flow-

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through built. But that's all internal to Bell

2 Atlantic, and it hasn't hurt our ability to be able 3 to do it volumewise or anything like that. We can

4 handle line-sharing today. 5

Q. Thank you, Mr. White.

MS. REED: We have a number of issues that we have addressed in the DSL tariff case, DTE 98-57, Phase III, that in our opinion should be included in the record in this docket as well. So I'm going to ask the Department if they would consider allowing us to file our initial brief in

11 this docket, 99-271. 12

13 MS. CARPINO: I don't think that's 14 necessary, and it was an issue that was raised by

15 another participant in this proceeding. I spoke

16 with an individual down at the Federal

17 Communications Commission, and they didn't recognize

18 that as being any hindrance to a participant to

19 raise an issue, that the physical copy of which is

20 not in our 271 docket. So it's from our perspective

21 not an issue. It's not necessary for you to do

22 that.

23 MS. REED: I appreciate that. How will the FCC understand the concerns unless it's in the 24

we will need to roll out area by area and make sure that -- we can't do all areas simultaneously. But the CLECs and Bell Atlantic will work together to prioritize where to do which area. But we have every intention of doing it in an expeditious fashion. I would not want to put -- I don't know if we had established a date. I'd have to go back in the records. But we did discuss in the other hearing about the interval, of which date would be done first.

MS. CARPINO: Ms. Reed, as you know. since you did participate in the Phase III hearings. that these were issues that we discussed during that hearing.

MS. REED: Yes. I have a problem, though, because those issues are still outstanding and they relate directly to what's happening here. As you know, we have filed our brief in the 98-57 line-sharing tariff today. The initial briefs are actually due tomorrow. This is one of the areas that we have addressed in our brief, is the time frame.

23 Now, the time frame that I believe we're 24 talking about is a one-month rollout, and the

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Page 4333 Page 4335 record? If we turn to the June data --1 1 2 MS. CARPINO: Any party that files a 2 MR. ROWE: Ms. Scardino, just so we're 3 statement with the FCC can attach whatever document 3 clear: You're in Exhibit G 1 to the OSS 4 supplemental affidavit? they would like to. 5 MS. SCARDINO: Yes. It's the actual MS. REED: I see. So that's where this 5 6 information should go, in the FCC filing, not in 6 carrier-to-carrier metrics for --7 this proceeding. Thank you. 7 MR. ROWE: We need a page reference, 8 Nothing else further. 8 though. 9 MS. CARPINO: Ms. Scardino? Q MS. SCARDINO: G 1, June data, Page 10 of 14. 10 MS. SCARDINO: I have a few questions 10 11 relating to DSL, but I wanted to follow up on one of 11 Q. I'd like to focus on two metrics. Actually, 12 I'm sorry, it's Exhibit G 2. It's Page 10 of 14. 12 Ms. Reed's questions. 13 CROSS-EXAMINATION 13 Ms. Abesamis, before we look at the 14 BY MS. SCARDINO: 14 data, let's focus on what the Z score means for your 15 O. Mr. White, you testified that the lack of an 15 data and how you calculate the data. A Z score of automated OSS for line-sharing, Bell Atlantic 16 negative 2, does that mean -- is that the threshold 16 systems, has no impact on the CLECs' ordering line-17 for Bell Atlantic not being in parity? 17 18 sharing; is that correct? 18 A. [ABESAMIS] I don't know if I'm the best 19 A. [WHITE] That's correct. 19 person to answer that question, because the Z score 20 O. Does it impact the interval that Bell 20 relates to the performance-assurance plan 21 Atlantic offers the CLECs for line-sharing? 21 calculations. I wouldn't say that it's just a

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A. [WHITE] If the interval was reduced. 1 2 compressed to a very short interval, it would not be 3 possible without it. So it could impact if we tried 4 to shorten the interval. O. I'd like to ask a few questions on the 5

A. [WHITE] We've had discussions about trying

to reduce that interval, and that is --

Q. But does it impact the interval?

supplemental checklist affidavit dated August 4th; 6 specifically, a statement that's referenced in

8 Paragraph 99 at the bottom, where Verizon states

that the claims by CLECs of nondiscriminatory access to DSL services are specifically undermined by C2C

1() results for two-wire xDSL services. It's Paragraph 11

12 99 on my Page 46.

A. [WHITE] Yes, I'm on that page.

14 Q. Is that a correct statement there, that the 15 claims raised by CLECs of nondiscriminatory access to DSL services are undermined by the carrier-to-

17 carrier results for DSL services?

A. [WHITE] That's an accurate statement.

19 O. Let's turn, then, to the data, carrier-to-

20 carrier data, which this statement I believe is

21 referring to for the two-wire DSL services. Ms.

22 Abesamis, some of these questions may relate to the

23 metrics themselves, which I know you have expertise

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Q. Let's turn, then, to Exhibit H of your affidavit that you sponsored. Exhibit H, marked

negative 2 actually shows that the statistical

validation is out of parity at that point, but I don't know anything further about....

Abesamis/Canny Exhibit H. Specifically, we could

4 look at any page at the bottom of that. It says

5 "parity/standard not met, minus 2." Is that 6 correct?

A. [ABESAMIS] Yes.

8 O. And that's part of your affidavit; correct?

A. [ABESAMIS] Correct.

10 O. So a negative-2 score means for purposes of 11 your performance-assurance plan and for purposes of

12 the metrics, not parity or out of parity; correct? 13

A. [ABESAMIS] Correct.

Q. Would a negative-3 score also be out of 14 15 parity?

16 A. [ABESAMIS] Once we reach a negative-2

17 score, we don't score it any further.

Q. So anything, then, above a negative 2 would 18 19 mean --

A. [ABESAMIS] Be out of parity.

21 Q. And so negative 3, negative 4, negative 5.

A. [ABESAMIS] Right.

23 CHAIRMAN CONNELLY: I didn't understand

24 your question, when you said "And so negative 3.

Page 4337 Page 4339 negative 4, negative 5." You didn't finish the exhibit, G 2. 1 1 2 2 thought. Excuse me; I'm sorry, it's going to Page 3 Q. The negative-2 score, again, as we 3 10 of 14. Again, Ms. Abesamis, let's go back to PR 4 established, is the baseline for establishing out of 4 5-01, which is the percent missed appointments due 5 parity. My question is: Would a negative 3 or a 5 to Bell Atlantic facilities. Can you read me the Z negative 4, negative 5, going down, that would also 6 6 score in that column? 7 7 mean out of parity; correct? A. [ABESAMIS] Negative 26.32. A. [ABESAMIS] If we calculated it that way, 8 8 O. And again, that would be out of parity; 9 9 ves. correct? 10 O. Let's turn, then, to the June data, again on 10 A. [ABESAMIS] As measured against this 11 Page 10 of 14; specifically, metric PR 5-01, which 11 standard, ves. 12 is percent missed appointments facilities. Looking 12 O. Let's then go down to PR 6-01 again, percent at your carrier-to-carrier metrics, that is the 13 installation troubles reported within 30 days. What percent of orders completed after the committed due is the Z score there? 14 15 date due to lack of Bell Atlantic facilities; is A. [ABESAMIS] Negative 8.33. 15 that correct? 16 Q. Again, out of parity? 17 A. [ABESAMIS] Yes. 17 A. [ABESAMIS] Yes. 18 Q. And Ms. Abesamis, can you read me what that 18 CHAIRMAN CONNELLY: Excuse me. You're 19 Z score is for the June performance, again, in the 19 just asking the witness to confirm data point after 20 far-right column? 20 data point, which is something that's already on 21 A. [ABESAMIS] It's a negative 43.32. 21 paper before us. Are you going somewhere with this? 22 Q. And that would mean that you're out of 22 MS. SCARDINO: Yes. I believe I'm 23 parity; is that correct? 23 establishing that the statement in Paragraph 99 of A. [ABESAMIS] Correct. the measurements affidavit, where Bell Atlantic Page 4338 Page 4340 1 Q. Let's, then, look at PR 6, which is 1 states that their carrier-to-carrier results 2 installation quality, and specifically the metric PR 2 specifically undermine CLECs' claims that they're 3 3 6-01, percent installation troubles reported within receiving nondiscriminatory access to DSL 4 30 days, which would you agree is the metric that 4 services --5 5 measures the percent of troubles report within 30 CHAIRMAN CONNELLY: Isn't that something days of installation? Is that correct? 6 you can deal with on final argument, rather than 7 A. [ABESAMIS] Correct. 7 step us through page after page? 8 Q. PR 6-01 again, on the June date, Page 10 of MS. SCARDINO: I can be brief. I just 8 9 14, can you read me the Z score in that far column. 9 have one further question about maintenance and what that says? 10 10 repair. 11 A. [ABESAMIS] Negative 8.92. 11 CHAIRMAN CONNELLY: Go ahead with it, 12 Q. Would you agree that's out of parity as 12 then. 13 well? 13 Q. That was for provisioning of DSL services. 14 A. [ABESAMIS] As measured against -- Let me Let's turn to maintenance and repair, which is on 14 15 just clarify: as measured against the Bell Paragraph 150, again, of the measurements affidavit. 15 Atlantic, or now Verizon, retail. A. [ABESAMIS] Of the measurements affidavit? 16 16 17 A. [WHITE] Which is not a comparable statistic 17 O. Excuse me, of the checklist affidavit. 18 to measure --18 MR. ROWE: Paragraph 150? 19 Q. I realize what your testimony says. I'm 19 MS. SCARDINO: Yes. 20 asking, does the data show that it's out of parity, 20 Q. In that paragraph there's a statement that 21 and I believe the answer is yes. 21 says, "Moreover, the data shows that the incidence 22 A. [ABESAMIS] As it is measured today, yes. 22 of repair for UNE loops is comparable to that of 23 Q. Now let's turn to the May data, same 23 retail services." metrics. That would be on Page 9 of 14 in that same 24 A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] Yes.

Page 4341 Page 4343 1 Q. Does that statement means it's in parity 1 A. [ABESAMIS] Yes, we did. 2 with retail services? 2 O. Would you agree to incorporate those same 3 A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] It means it's comparable. 3 line-sharing metrics that you agreed to in New York 4 Q. The performance is comparable; correct? 4 into Massachusetts? 5 A. [ABESAMIS] That's the practice anyway, yes. A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] The incidence of repair, 5 6 ves. 6 O. Yes, you will? 7 7 A. [ABESAMIS] Yes. Q. If we could just look -- and I will just 8 highlight the June data. If we go to, again, 8 O. Is that correct? 9 Exhibit G 2, maintenance and repair. If we look at 9 A. [ABESAMIS] Yes. 10 MR 2, network trouble-report rate, which is the --10 MS. SCARDINO: Thank you. I have no 11 A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] MR 2-02. 11 further questions. 12 Q. Which measures the amount of troubles 12 MS. CARPINO: Are there any other 13 reported in a given month. Is that a fair 13 questions? Ms. Reed? 14 characterization of what it is? 14 15 15 A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] Yes. MS. REED: I'm a little troubled by the 16 Q. Again, on the June data, MR 2-02, network decision not to incorporate the briefs on DSL into 17 trouble-report rate for loop, under two-wire DSL 17 this case because I'm not convinced at this point 18 services on Page 11 of 14: Ms. Abesamis, could you 18 that the record in this case contains the DSL 19 read what the Z score is in that far column there. 19 information that is necessary for the Department --20 under MR 2-02? 20 not the FCC, but the Department -- to make its 21 21 A. [ABESAMIS] Negative 7.54. recommendations to the FCC. 22 Q. Two-wire xDSL services, maintenance for 22 I would ask that --23 June. MR 2-02? 23 CHAIRMAN CONNELLY: Why don't you submit 24 24 A. [ABESAMIS] I'm sorry. Negative 13.99. us a letter on that this afternoon or tomorrow and Page 4342 Page 4344 1 O. One final question relating to the linewe'll take it under advisement. sharing metrics referred to in your affidavit, Ms. 2 MS. REED: I would appreciate that. I 3 Abesamis. Paragraph 27 of the measurements 3 would hope that the Commissioners would reconsider 4 affidavit -- again, the supplemental affidavits that 4 this decision. Thank you. 5 were filed on August 4th. 5 CHAIRMAN CONNELLY: Put that in your 6 A. [ABESAMIS] I'm there. 6 letter. 7 Q. In that paragraph you discuss the status of 7 MS. SCARDINO: Just to add to that: 8 the line-sharing metrics that are under discussion 8 Rhythms shares the same concern of Ms. Reed, that we 9 in the carrier-to-carrier proceeding in New York; is 9 would like the record in that proceeding to be 10 that correct? 10 incorporated somehow, be it pleadings be filed here 11 A. [ABESAMIS] Yes. 11 or the actual record fully incorporated. 12 Q. What is the status of those measurements? 12 MS. CARPINO: Thank you. A. [ABESAMIS] The line-sharing measures have 13 13 Mr. Oxman? 14 reached consensus status in the carrier-to-carrier 14 MR. OXMAN: I want to make sure I'm 15 working group. They're intended to be quoted along. 15 doing this procedurally properly. I do have a few 16 if I'm not mistaken. August 25th to the public 16 questions for the panel, and then Covad's witnesses 17 service commission in New York for review in their 17 obviously have issues they want to address related 18 September or October review process and then would 18 to the testimony of the panel. Which part of that 19 be ordered. If so ordered, we would then implement 19 would you like me to do now? them from a metrics perspective for Massachusetts as 20 20 MS. CARPINO: You may ask your questions 21 well, since the Department has adopted the New York 21 now, then go to your experts. 22 carrier-to-carrier guidelines. 22 MR. OXMAN: Thank you. 23 Q. And did you agree to those line-sharing 23 **CROSS-EXAMINATION** 24 metrics in New York in that proceeding? 24 BY MR. OXMAN:

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Q. Mr. White, these metrics that Ms. Scardino 2 has been referring to -- and I'll take the June metrics just as an example -- look the same to me as

4 the metrics that you submitted in New York in 5 support of your 271 application. Are these metrics

amassed by Verizon pursuant to the same methods used 6 7 in New York?

8 A. [ABESAMIS] I think I'm a better person to 9 answer that question. I'm Ms. Abesamis. The answer 10 is yes.

11 Q. I do have to ask this next question, Mr. 12 White, though: In the New York proceeding, Mr.

13 White, do you recall a joint meeting held between Verizon, Covad, and the Federal Communications

Commission in December of 1999 which was attended by

Chairman Kennard and several representatives of the

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A. [WHITE] Yes, I do. 18 19

Q. This was a debate between Verizon and Covad related to the data submitted by then-Bell Atlantic in support of their New York 271 application. Is that your recollection?

23 A. [WHITE] The data submitted by Bell Atlantic 24 and the data submitted by Covad.

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Verizon to compile loop data for reporting in these 2 metrics before the Massachusetts Department?

A. [WHITE] No.

4 A. [ABESAMIS] I'm sorry.

A. [WHITE] No, it is not.

6 Q. Can you tell me the method that Verizon used

to compile the number of observations for -- let's

8 takes one particular metric -- the number of

observations for PR 2-02, average interval 9

10 completed, total dispatch?

> A. [ABESAMIS] I can answer that. The PR 2-02 average interval completed, the observations are for the specific month -- and we'll take June -- and they are those orders that are completed, the interval of those orders that are completed -- Let me start over.

The observations are based upon orders completed that would include the time delay of any order that was missed due to a Verizon reason.

20 Q. So the number of observations -- let's stay 21 with this metric, PR 2-02; and for purposes of

22 people that want to follow along, this is Exhibit 23 G-2, Page 10 of 14, the same exhibit that Ms.

Scardino was using.

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Q. Right. The purpose of the debate, am I correct in saying, was to attempt to reconcile a vast difference between the loop data submitted by Covad and the loop data submitted by Bell Atlantic? Is that an accurate assessment of the purpose of that debate?

A. [WHITE] I don't know loop data, but it was orders -- it was the PON lists that were being discussed, intervals on your orders.

Q. And do you recall that one of the topics discussed was the difference between the number of loops that Covad contended it had ordered in a particular month and the number of loops that Bell Atlantic was reporting that had been ordered in a particular month?

A. [WHITE] Yes, I do.

Q. Do you recall that in the course of that meeting you stated that Bell Atlantic compiled loop data by examining the number of loops that had been billed to CLECs in a particular month, not the number of loops that had been ordered in a

22 particular month? 23

A. [WHITE] Ms. Canny made that statement, yes.

Q. Is that the same method that was used by

PR 2-02 reports a number of observations 1 2 of 1,193 for all CLECs; is that correct?

A. [ABESAMIS] Yes.

4 Q. So, to make sure I understand what you're 5 saying, that represents the number of loops that 6 were due in the month of June?

7 A. [ABESAMIS] No, that represents the number 8 of orders that were completed within the month of

9 June that required a dispatch.

10 Q. So you're measuring the number of orders that you actually completed. 11

12 A. [ABESAMIS] Correct, in that measure, yes.

13 Q. And what is an order that has been 14 completed?

15 A. [ABESAMIS] An order that has been 16 provisioned and also completed and sent to our

17 billing system.

18 Q. So orders that were due but not completed 19 would not be reflected in this total number of 20 observations.

A. [ABESAMIS] That's correct.

Q. So the 1,193 observations for the month of

23 June is not a reflection of the number of loops that

24 Verizon was supposed to provision on a particular

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MR. ROWE: The question is objectionable in the way it's set, but I think we can answer it.

MR. OXMAN: I'm sorry. I'll rephrase the question, if you like.

CHAIRMAN CONNELLY: He hasn't asked you to. If you can answer it, go ahead.

A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] Typically provisioning measures -- an order is measured or captured for results purposes once it's been completed in our systems. That usually means that the provisioning has taken place, it's completed, turned over to the customer, and that it's passed through the subsequent systems for the billing completion as well.

that are placed in June that are due on the last day of June but don't hit completion until the first day of July. They will be captured for measurement purposes in the month of July. So it's when the order is completed in the systems as opposed to when provisioning work is actually done. It's traditionally been that way for as long as I've been

So, for example, there could be orders

1 metric. Maintenance metrics deal with trouble

2 reports. Provisioning metrics deal with service-

3 order functions or activities. So they're somewhat

4 independent of each other except for the I-codes 5 that we discussed earlier.

Q. If a trouble ticket is opened on a loop that Verizon has completed in its records -- in other words, Verizon has turned over the loop to the CLEC -- that trouble ticket does not affect that metric?

A. [ABESAMIS] No, there's a separate metric that reports it, and that's the PR 6 metric, which is the installation trouble reports within 30 days of a service or product being provisioned. That's where it would be captured.

Q. Could I refer to you Paragraph 144 of the supplemental affidavit.

MR. ROWE: The checklist affidavit? MR. OXMAN: Thank you.

Q. This is a paragraph purporting to report on a Verizon study of Covad's claims related to trouble tickets. To whom should I address questions? Mr.

Maguire, Mr. White. But I address it to the panel.
 Paragraph 144 reports that 55.6 percent

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A. [WHITE] But different from last year, in Washington, when it was based on after they'd flowed through all the billing, so there was an additional delay in the process. So we've now based it on activity-based reporting, as opposed to billing-

6 based reporting. It keeps it more current.

- Q. So, again, to make sure I understand: The completion interval measures the interval for loops that were provisioned during the month of June but excludes loops that were due but not provisioned.
 - A. [ABESAMIS] Yes.
- A. [WHITE] And it also includes loops that were due in prior months that were provisioned in June that would have been missed in prior months.
- Q. Another question for the panel related to the provisioning metric. Am I correct in understanding that this metric excludes -- or includes loops that are provisioned and then turned over to the CLEC and then a CLEC opens a trouble ticket on that loop? In other words, if the loop is closed and a CLEC opens a trouble ticket, that loop is still included in the completed metric; is that correct?
- A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] In the provisioning

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- 1 of Covad's trouble tickets in this study group were
- 2 closed as no trouble found; is that correct?
- 3 A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] Yes.
- 4 Q. Is it also correct that the remainder of
- 5 those trouble tickets, approximately 44 percent,
- 6 eventually had a trouble found?
- 7 A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] Whatever the inverse of 55 8 is; that's correct.
- 9 Q. So it would be correct to say that 44
- 10 percent of the trouble tickets submitted by Covad to
- 11 Verizon during this time period resulted in a
- 12 trouble found on a loop.
 - A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] Yes.
- 14 Q. Is it Verizon's contention that those 44
- 15 percent of the loops subject to those trouble
- 16 tickets where trouble was found were provisioned and
- 17 completed to Covad on the date that Verizon reported
- 18 in its metrics?19 A. [WHITE] Startin
 - A. [WHITE] Starting with the provisioning
- 20 question, going into a maintenance question: On the
- 21 provisioning, we established the procedure to call
- 22 Covad and jointly test with them, and Covad accepts
- 23 the circuit and gives us a serial number that they
- 24 have a good test. We're seeing some issues, that

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Page 4353 those acceptances, where we're making sure there's 2 continuity, it certainly appears that they're coming back as a retest and they don't like the circuit after. So there's some mixture here between 4 5 installation and repair that we're seeing. 6 Q. All I'm trying to establish is whether for 7 purposes of reporting Verizon's performance to the Commission in this docket, whether a loop that 9 Verizon reports as completed and provisioned to 10 Covad that is subsequently part of this family of 44 percent of loops that were subject to trouble 11 tickets and trouble was found, whether those loops

are still reported as having been completed. 13 14 A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] The answer to the question 15 is yes. But as I mentioned in my earlier

presentation, there seems to be a high incidence of

I-codes, which is what we discussed earlier with Ms.

Scardino, when Ms. Scardino asked Ms. Abesamis to go 18

through the June results related to PR 6-01. There 19

seems to be a recent phenomenon where we turn 20

21 circuits over to a DLEC, for example, they accept

it, and then they turn around and issue a trouble

ticket soon thereafter. As a matter of fact, 23

specifically in Covad's last filing, I think they

are loops that you tested and you said were 2 complete; then we complete them.

> 3 Q. Thank you for your affirmative answer, Mr. 4 Maguire.

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MR. OXMAN: We'd like to address this topic further, by those witnesses for Covad that have an expertise in this area, but I assume you'd like to wait for the Covad panel.

MS. CARPINO: Off the record.

(Discussion off the record.)

11 MS. CARPINO: Back on the record. We'll 12 have a few more questions and then break for lunch.

BY MR. OXMAN: 13

> O. Ms. Abesamis, your DSL loop metrics all exclude what are commonly referred to as facilities issues from reporting; is that correct?

17 A. [ABESAMIS] I don't understand. They 18 exclude?

O. What are commonly referred to as facilities 20 issues. In other words, Verizon attempts to provision a loop and discovers what it categorizes as facilities issues; in other words, facilities are 23 not available to provision the loop.

24 A. [ABESAMIS] We don't exclude those.

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2 Now, it seems to me that what some of 3 the companies appear to be doing is, rather than run 4 the risk of having a provisioning order be denied 5 due to the unavailability of facilities, they're locking in a loop and then they're asking us to go 6 7 out and fix it on a maintenance basis. We've run into instances -- when I'm referencing the 15 8 percent of the I-codes, or 15 percent of the 10 troubles that had a duration of 72 hours or greater. 11 many of those were referred to engineering and 12 essentially they had to be reprovisioned.

So you're right on the money. But it seems to me -- that's what I mentioned earlier, that we seem to be polluting some of the maintenance numbers by having provisioned loops that were accepted by the DLECs that -- just based on continuity, as opposed to some of the other characteristics that are required.

Now, again, as I mentioned, we're kind of blind to that stuff, hence the cooperative testing process.

A. [WHITE] But the bottom line is, it's not completed until you say it's completed. So these O. You don't.

A. [WHITE] On the installation, they are not included.

Q. I'm getting two answers from two different witnesses.

A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] I'm in the middle, so why don't I take a shot. I'm going to paraphrase your question, which my lawyers will kill me for doing, but I'll do it anyway. You're asking whether or not we go out on a service order and discover there are

11 no facilities. That order subsequently gets

12 canceled due to no facilities. You're asking 13 whether or not that's captured in the provisioning

14 metrics? 15

O. Correct.

16 A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] And the answer is no.

A. [ABESAMIS] No, it's not. I thought that 17 18 you said scored.

19 Q. That's okay. Prior to Verizon dispatching 20 on a loop provisioning for Covad, is it correct to 21 say that Verizon assigns a facility to Covad?

A. [WHITE] Yes, prior to dispatching.

23 Q. Can you explain to me how, having assigned

24 that facility to Covad, a loop order would

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subsequently be classified as a no-facilities?

A. [WHITE] First of all, you need a spare copper loop in order to do an assignment. When we began the process, we made sure that it was a spare 4 5 and we would assign to it. There were so many areas

where we don't have any spare facilities at all, we 6 agreed to do transfers to look to try to find 7

8 another pair and move another customer to, let's say

9 DLC, to free up a copper pair or to move a line from

10 one terminal to another to free up a copper pair. 11

So that we undertake -- so all orders may have an 12 assignment, but that assignment may not be a spare 13 copper pair to start with; it may need to be created

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When you go out to the field and you're on cable plant that is at least ten years old, it could be 60 years old, it had less than a 2 percent defect rate when it was installed 30 years ago, it is more than that today. These loops don't always successfully work. We attempt to make the transfer.

21 We attempt to clear the pair. But the fact of the 22 matter is, because it says it's spare or because we

23 think we can work up a way to find a spare or create

24 a spare out there, they aren't always successful.

in Massachusetts; is that correct?

A. [WHITE] That's correct.

3 O. Are you familiar with the line-sharing status update that is provided to CLECs on a regular 4 5 basis by Verizon?

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A. [WHITE] Yes, I am.

7 Q. Specifically, are you familiar with the 8 report provided by Verizon to Covad on the 10th of 9 this month?

10 A. [WHITE] Yes, I am.

MS. CARPINO: Is this status report regionwide or Massachusetts-specific?

MR. OXMAN: It is both regionwide and 14 Massachusetts-specific. It reports on state by

15 state.

> MR. ROWE: Do you have a copy of that document that the witness could look at?

> > MR. OXMAN: I do.

19 MR. ROWE: It may be you're not going to 20 ask questions specific about the document, and it 21 may be okay.

22 MR. OXMAN: I was going to ask a 23 question about the number of central offices that

Verizon reported to Covad is ready for line-sharing.

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The more that we do this, the more that we continue 1 2 to use up whatever spare copper pairs that are out

3 there. It is a difficult process, and the last pair

4 is always the hardest to get turned up. 5

O. So the process of assigning a facility in the course of provisioning a loop doesn't necessarily mean that a facility is available.

A. [THOMAS MAGUIRE] Could you say that again, please?

A. [WHITE] There's an assignment process that will create a facility. There may be a facility;

12 there may be a facility that we can test and we get out there and find out it doesn't work to that 13

14 location, it's open to that pole; or it may not get

15 a direct assignment, it may get an indirect assignment: "Use this pair once you move the 16

customer off this line to another line," and we find 17

the other line isn't available, so then we can't do 18 19

the transfer.

Q. I have a question for you about your 20 21 statement in response to a question earlier this 22 morning about line-sharing readiness in

23 Massachusetts. You stated that Verizon is prepared

24 and ready to offer line-sharing to competitive LECs MS. CARPINO: In Massachusetts?

MR. OXMAN: In Massachusetts

specifically. I don't think that requires a document. It's a number.

5 O. If I told you that Verizon had reported to Covad on the 10th of this month that of the 65 6

7 central offices in Massachusetts that Covad had

8 requested line-sharing capability that Bell Atlantic had provisioned through the CFA process only 13 of 9

10 those, would you say that was correct?

A. [WHITE] No.

12 Q. Why? 13

A. [WHITE] Why?

14 Q. Why is that not correct, given that I'm 15 reading this off of a piece of paper that Verizon

16 provided to us?

MS. CARPINO: That is dated?

18 MR. OXMAN: The e-mail was sent on the 19 10th of this month, of August, and the report is

20 dated the 1st of August.

21 A. [WHITE] Let me tell you the status of

22 line-sharing in Massachusetts. Two major companies

23 are doing line-sharing -- actually, three. But

24 Rhythms applied for 78 collocations under Page 4361

1 August.

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- Arrangement A, where they provide the splitter, and 1 2 we said to the CLECs that Bell Atlantic would be 3 ready to service anyone that does Arrangement A as 4 soon as they wanted to submit orders, and we will 5 take orders and complete orders for any of those 78 locations for Rhythms. The work is in progress, but 6 7 we know that since a substantial amount of that work is done by the CLEC and less work by us, that within 9 the six-day window we will have complete any Rhythms
 - We offered a second option for collocation, and that was called Option C. That was only offered under the condition that the CLEC understood that we could not guarantee that it would make the June 7th interval, that we would make a best effort to get all this line-sharing in place, that the applications that came in on March 15th would be completed, the first 25 of them would be completed by June 7th and we would continue to work to complete 25 a month, on the assumption that we had splitters and material about three weeks before

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In Massachusetts applications were submitted on April 15th, not March 15th, a month

- 2 A. [WHITE] No, I think I said that all the 3 Rhythms orders --
 - O. No, Covad.
- 5 A. [WHITE] If I'm going Covad-specific, yes, 60 percent, working with the arrangements of the 6 7 delivery of the splitters that came in in July. And we're not going to do all 55 simultaneously, and we 9 certainly can't do 66 if we don't have a full 10 application.
- MR. OXMAN: Thank you. I have no 12 further questions.
- 13 MS. CARPINO: Mr. Clancy, do you have a 14 followup to that?
- 15 MR. CLANCY: Here's the question: 16 Should we tackle the issue now and just deal with it, or after lunch as part of my statement? I'll 17 18 just make it part of my statement.
- 19 MR. ROWE: If it's not questions, why 20 don't we make it part of the questions.
- 21 MR. CLANCY: There's some clarifying 22 statements I'll make.
- 23 MS. CARPINO: We'll take an hour-and-15-minute break.

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- after New York. Splitters were ordered in May, according to your interrogatory from your other case, that were delivered in June, which came to us 4 in July. You submitted 66 applications, 11 of which 5 have not been followed up and were never completed 6 in application, so we have 55 live applications. As 7 of this morning I show 29 of those applications 8 complete and three that actually can be assigned on; 0 we just have some additional work. 10
 - So over 60 percent of your work is done and the work is still in progress, and that work is -- the issues that we mentioned in the project management were a function of contracting, it was a function of material availability, and that we continue to do the work for Covad and continue to be on schedule for Covad as promised.
- 17 Q. So the 29 that are complete in 18 Massachusetts, that includes the providing of CFA to 19 Covad?
- 20 A. [WHITE] Yes, it does.
- 21 Q. So your statement, then, just to summarize, and then we'll all go to lunch, is that 60 percent 22
- 23 of the central offices that we've ordered in
- 24 Massachusetts are complete as of today, the 17th of

- (Recess for lunch.)
- 2 MS. CARPINO: Back on the record. Mr. Rowe has some updated information on that request by 3 4
- Ms. Reed. 5 MR. ROWE: In this morning's session Ms.
- 6 Reed asked Ms. Maguire whether the four offices that 7 were referred to as space-exhausted offices in Verizon's earlier presentation continued to be the 8 9 only offices which were in a space-exhaust
- 10 condition, and the answer to that question is, Barnstable central office is also in the space-11
- exhaust condition, as of the 12th of June of this 12
- 13 year. 14 MS. REED: Thank you, Mr. Rowe. Does
- 15 that mean that there are only five central offices, 16 then, in Massachusetts that have exhausted space? 17
 - MR. ROWE: Yes.
- 18 MS. REED: Nothing else, Ms. Hearing 19 Officer.
- 20 MS. CARPINO: There's one other housekeeping matter. Before the break Alan 21
- 22 indicated that an electronic attachment of the
- 23 handout that Mr. Maguire passed out earlier today
- 24 would not be possible. Is that correct?

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shipped according to the project-management schedule

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THE REPORTER: Yes. MINDA J. CUTCHER, JOHN BERARD, MICHAEL produced by Bell Atlantic. Bell Atlantic called for

CLANCY, SHERRY LICHTENBERG, and 3 the splitter shells to be delivered to New England,

ROBERT G. WILLIAMS, Witnesses 4 and they were shipped on July 3rd to five

MS. CARPINO: Mr. Clancy, do you have a 5 Massachusetts warehouses and two New Hampshire

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statement? warehouses. I will note that in New England the WITNESS CLANCY: Yes, I do, Your Honor. 7 vendor is Bell Atlantic. Their equipment-

First off, I'd like to address Mr. White's 8 installation force does the installation work, all characterization of Covad's testimony as being 9 the installation work.

inaccurate and misleading earlier -- to state my 10 So, interestingly enough, two of those

11 perspective of his testimony on line-sharing, which 11 offices that were completed -- there were two 12 was both inaccurate and misleading.

offices completed prior to July 6th. In fact, they 12 I'm looking at an e-mail that was sent 13 were completed in June, prior to us shipping any

> 14 splitters to New England, so I wonder how they were

15 completed. But that's just to clarify the

statements on line-sharing. Essentially, we're

17 still working together to get line-sharing up and

working in New England, which includes

19 Massachusetts.

20 I'd like to also talk about the 21

supplemental affidavit that Bell Atlantic provided.

22 A lot of it was in response to the testimony of

23 Covad and Rhythms. On Paragraph 103 in that

24 supplemental affidavit --

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by April 15th, which Covad did. There were some discrepancies on those applications. Those discrepancies were resolved by April 22nd.

As far as the implementation schedule which was worked out with Bell Atlantic --MS. CARPINO: Mr. Clancy, was this

out by Eleanor Stein, who is the administrative law

collaborative in New York regarding line-sharing and

agreement that was reached on March 16th regarding

in New York, Mr. White testified that we had to have

the applications in on March 15th. Since we didn't

agree until March 16th on how we would do that, it

15th. The agreement was to have the applications in

would have been impossible to have applied by March

how Scenario C and Scenario A would be administered

judge in New York who presides over the DSL

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understanding or agreement applied footprintwide?

WITNESS CLANCY: Yes. It was initiated in New York, but it was to apply throughout the footprint, with essentially negotiated due dates for the remainder of the footprint. The negotiation was based upon, as John White said, best efforts of Bell Atlantic and the CLEC community.

The agreed-to schedule for Massachusetts was that some offices would complete on June 15th. some offices would complete on June 29th, and some offices would complete on July 6th. I followed up with the project manager, who's a Bell Atlantic employee, earlier this week, and I will verify Mr. White's statement that 60 percent of the 55 offices are complete at this time. But I will also point out that we are over a month past July 6th.

23 The splitters were shipped into a warehouse, a staging warehouse, in New Jersey, and they were 24

MS. CARPINO: This is from August? WITNESS CLANCY: Yes; Bell Atlantic supplemental checklist affidavit.

MS. CARPINO: The paragraph, again? WITNESS CLANCY: The paragraph is 103. Verizon states that for the first three months of

6 7 the year 2000 they have a completion rate of more 8 than 96 percent when customer and facility reasons

9 are excluded. They are excluding facility reasons;

10 and if you look at Paragraph 96 of the same

11 document, the last sentence in that paragraph, it 12 should be noted that orders are not accepted because

13 of loop-qualification reasons about 15 percent of

14 the time, and orders are canceled for no facilities

15 10 to 12 percent of the time. Mr. White testified 16 based on some other data later on today that it was

17 percent of the time in June.

Let me note that 15 percent of the time where it fails for loop qualification, one of those reasons would be no facilities. So prior to placing an order we will reject a customer's request based

22 upon the fact that the loop-qualification database 23 that Verizon provides us shows that there are no

24 facilities. So we have a gate in the front end, in

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I don't know what 15 percent of the overall volume represents. It's one of the things I've pleaded with my own company to start to measure, because we get a sense of the real impact of no facilities. Because no facilities after the fact means that it's gone through the whole provisioning process within Verizon, where they found a pair, as Mr. White testified earlier, or they did a line-station transfer to create a pair, and then could not provide the service over that pair because there was a defect on the pair or something that Verizon doesn't intend to clear.

So the overall impact of no facilities is greater than the 12 percent. How great is really unknown. But when you look at a 96 percent completion rate, you're taking that 15 percent you have to initial, so that doesn't even show up in that universe, and then measuring a completion rate less no facilities. So it is somewhat inaccurate to portray -- although that's the way the metric is developed, it's somewhat inaccurate to portray that as the reality, because it's not.

In Paragraph 107 on the same document --

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1 could answer it right now, without making a record 2 request, I would imagine. 3

MR. OXMAN: Okay, when he's finished. Thank you.

WITNESS CLANCY: Paragraph 108 talks about cooperative testing or joint acceptance testing. Basically, it says that the WorldCom/ Rhythms/Covad claims that the reason loop acceptance testing, also known as cooperative testing, is being done by Verizon - Mass. is because of Verizon's poor loop performance, and the paragraph goes on to describe that that's not why, it's just the test continuity.

13 14 Joint acceptance testing was one of the 15 first things developed in the collaborative in New 16 York, which began on September 15th in 1999, based 17 on poor provisioning performance of the then-Bell 18 Atlantic. One of the things that was discovered on 19 joint acceptance testing is that often the cross-20 wiring wasn't complete in the central office, so the 21 whole FOC minus 2 and sharing-of-information process 22 started. And indeed, Bell Atlantic's performance in 23 terms of finishing new cross-wiring in the central

24 office has improved. But to say that it wasn't

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1 actually. I'm going to talk about Paragraph 106 and

107. In Paragraph 106, "WorldCom fails to

3 acknowledge that Verizon - Mass. has continually

4 upgraded and enhanced its loop qualification

5 database in response to CLEC requests for

information. Additional information now available

in the loop qualification database includes data on

why a loop does not qualify -- for example, presence

of digital-loop carrier, T1 in the binder group

10 below coils." And the others would be no facilities

and one other category.

That statement makes it appear that all offices in the loop qual database have this capability. I've been told by Verizon that any office put in the loop qual database prior to March 18th of this year would not have those additional comments in the database. So it's not the entire universe of Massachusetts offices that have this capability. It's something less than the total. So my question there would be what offices are included, what percentage, and so on.

MR. OXMAN: Should we make that a proposed record request?

MS. CARPINO: The witnesses probably

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1 based upon poor provisioning performance is a 2 fallacy.

I'll point to the record of November 18th, 1999, here at the DTE, and to the testimony of Mr. White and Mr. Maguire in re: dialogue with me about why loop acceptance testing exists. It's detailed in there why it exists. It is to essentially mimic a process that exists in the retail provisioning of dial-tone loops called dial-tone leaving. It's a way to assure that the central office is wired prior to Bell Atlantic dispatching to the field. In fact, we provide a report, a FOC-minus-1 report, on what tests good and what tests not so good. So that helps them improve

That's the way the process was designed. The reason for the process design is not only to assure continuity, but to assure that we have service leaving the central office. Mr. White likes to refer to these as dangling data links. You look in testimony, and he will describe what that is.

their central-office wiring performance.

Paragraph 111: "Similarly, Covad's statement that Verizon - MA's provisioning is so fraught with 'delay and frustration' that Covad must

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1 add extra days to the customer's service interval."

- 2 and it references my testimony, "ignores the fact
- 3 that Verizon - MA has an excellent provisioning
- 4 record." Again, I'll point to what 96 percent
- 5 really means, as I stated earlier, and I'll also
- 6 point to Bell Atlantic's testimony that is in
- 7 Paragraph 144 of this document. This exhibit that
- 8 was provided by Mr. Maguire today, entitled The Race
- to Resolution -- it's Page 3 of the document that 10

Mr. Maguire provided.

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This is an analysis of xDSL troubles reported by Covad between April 15th and June 15th. 2000. My colleague, Mr. Berard, can discuss in more detail a study he did, an analysis of FOC-plus-1 results, which is the day after the due date, that he did for, I think, the month of June of this year. In that result he found 23 percent of the loops that

- 17 18 had been completed by Bell Atlantic and, yes, had
- 19 been accepted by our joint acceptance practice, or
- 20 not, depending on whether or not the technician
- 21 called, or if the technician called and decided to
- 22 hang up, feeling that they waited too long for
- 23 someone to pick up, they wouldn't do the test. And
 - based on his analysis of Harris test results, 23

repeated report that was closed to a found Verizon -1

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- 2 MA problem. That would mean 9.3 percent of the
- 3 original universe, in addition to the 44-and-change
- 4 percent, were actually troubles, according to the
- 5 indications here. But all of this means that the
- 6 provisioning interval has gotten longer and longer
- 7 and longer while we try and resolve the trouble with
- 8 Verizon, and that's reflected in the longer time
- line on the bottom of here and the statement of
- 10 long-duration I-codes. So I agree with Bell
- 11 Atlantic: There is trouble provisioning xDSL loops
- 12 still, and even with the processes we put in place.
- 13 and we need to work together to resolve the
- 14 problems. But the problems are more significant

15 than reflected in Verizon's testimony. 16

In Paragraph 113 and in Paragraph 114, in their comments Rhythms/Covad correctly place a great deal of emphasis on the customer impact of the failure to provision xDSL service. Covad claims that its customers have to stay home more than one

21 time for BA to complete its installation.

22 I will point to Mr. Maguire's document 23 that not only has maintenance issues in it but

I-codes, and at five times the regular normal

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- 1 percent of those loops in fact wouldn't work.
- Either they were open-in or had metallic troubles on
- 3 them that would not pass data. So those troubles
- 4 would actually show up in this April and, part of
- 5 it, June 15th. So part of that 23 percent would
- 6 show up in this, in this analysis that Bell Atlantic
 - has done -- not all of it, but part of it.

56.5 percent of the reports were closed as no trouble found, meaning the reciprocal, as Tom Maguire said before, would be found as real troubles.

53.8 of the 55.6 resulted in no further trouble report, according to this document, which would be. I guess, 29.9 percent of the original universe. And then 29 percent of the initial NTF reports. Covad issued repeated trouble reports that never resulted in a found Verizon - MA trouble. The statement does not say that those tickets are closed out. In fact, they could still be pending, looking for the trouble, and we could still be opening up trouble tickets, and they could still be NTF-ing them. And that is my experience in working with

Then 16.8 closed to NTF resulted in a

Verizon in actually doing this work.

1 no-access rate to indicate the problems that we have 2 when these things don't get provisioned the first

3 time, these DSL loops don't get provisioned the 4 first time.

So that is what's being discussed here.

6 As we follow this paragraph down, there's a

7 discussion about a process that we developed for the

8 ILEC technician to call the CLEC when there's a 9

no-access condition, so we can try to proactively 10

create access. I'm not certain that this has been

11 incorporated into the maintenance processes. I know

12 that there are conversations between Jim Katzman of

Covad and Mr. Maguire's organization to have that 13

14 kind of thing, more interaction on the maintenance

15 process, like we have tried to establish on the

16 provisioning process. Without the ability to call

17 an 800 number and intervene, this five-times

18 no-access rate isn't going to go away.

19 Into the lower part of the page that 113 20 appears on, there's a sentence that begins, "In

21 situations." It says, "In situations where a CLEC's

22 customer is home and Verizon - MA encounters a

23 facilities problem, Verizon - MA technicians are

24 required to complete any portion of the job that

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requires access. The CLEC's customer does not need to be home to provide access to Verizon - MA technicians for the facilities portion of the work."

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That's not true. My understanding of the process is that when a facility issue is encountered on the original installation, if it can't be cleared that day, in a short period of time, and essentially thrown in the central office and a new facility created, then it goes to cable maintenance as a ticket, for cable maintenance to clear. Now, that would be reflected in Bell Atlantic's results as a miss, or should be.

Then, when it comes back into the provisioning center, the RCCC, it actually goes back on the FOC-minus-2 report that is sent out on the CLECs. Everything on that FOC-minus-2 report is getting dispatched. And when this first started to occur, we were given two days' notice, essentially. to contact our customer and try and arrange access.

So I believe that even when we make this statement. I don't think the process is so totally developed that this actually happens. What actually happens is a technician is redispatched on that loop, and the first thing they look for is access.

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see a metallic trouble out, we refer it out: if we 1 2 see a metallic trouble in, we refer it in. So I'd

3 like to see the analysis that supports that Covad is

4 double-troubling Verizon. 5

Paragraph 146: There's a discussion here about a cooperative testing practice that was developed and put in place for the maintenance of complex UNE loops. I believe this issue has been raised at what was called the Bell Atlantic user group meeting, by Covad and other CLECs, and is being discussed by Verizon's RCMC team and their maintenance force, on trying to improve the number of cooperative tests that actually take place. So,

yes, the process was written; getting it to work is 14 15 a different story.

I'd like to turn to the document that 16 17 Mr. White characterized -- or one of the documents 18 that he characterized as inaccurate and misleading: 19 in particular, Covad's response to DTE-Covad No. 8.

20 Mr. White's copy didn't have the yellow. I got a

21 copy from my attorney here, Jason Oxman, which shows

22 what was yellow. So I'd like to share what the

23 results are.

Of those canceled, orders canceled,

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I'll point to Paragraph 114, since Verizon felt it required to discuss this topic, even though these were Verizon - New York orders that were analyzed, where we do have a higher no-access rate. The issue here is that there were 131 orders looked at. My colleague, Mr. Berard, can speak to this in more detail, since he did the actual study. My understanding is that of those 131 orders 70 were previously held for facilities, which is exactly what's being described in Paragraph 113.

So if we look at the 53 percent of the 131 orders were no-accessed, that includes orders that were previously held for facilities, a large, substantial portion of them, like half of them. So I would say that that's not a process that's been held yet, although it's claimed to be taken care of.

In Paragraph 143 of the same document Verizon refers to a phenomenon that they call the double-trouble issue that was discussed earlier and makes an assumption about Covad's frustration, using

the term "is most likely related to." I just want 21 22 to point out that that is a broad assumption on

23 Verizon's part. We have the capability, especially 24

on UNE loops. UNE DSL loops, to test out, and if we

Page 4380 where Covad indicated they were ILEC-caused, indeed, 1

> 2 6.5 percent of the total that were canceled are

3 canceled because of a duplicate order being issued.

4 It was not correct on Covad's part to characterize

5 that as ILEC-caused, because it's not caused by the

6 ILEC. 32.4 percent were canceled due to no ILEC

7 facilities. I would characterize that as an 8

ILEC-caused.

11 percent were canceled because the loop was too long. Given that we rely on the mechanized loop-qual system provided by Verizon in order to process an order, I would say those failures are ILEC-caused because obviously the loop-qual system isn't working 100 percent. So 11 percent of the orders were canceled due to long loops, which is an indication that 11 percent of the time that loop-qual tool isn't working right.

8 percent of the time trenching was required. Now, trenching is required when a new drop has to be installed where trenching is required, rather than running a drop from a pole. I would say that's ILEC-caused because it would be ameliorated by migrating a second line into the second line available into the home. This was

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Page 4381 discussed; it was raised by Rhythms in the New York collaborative. Bell Atlantic proposed a resolution to this on April 12th. It's yet to be implemented. And 2 percent of the cancellations were due to digital-loop carrier and 1 percent due to electronics on the line. To say that's ILEC-caused. they're changing their network over to a digitalloop-based network, a fiber-based network. I was very surprised to see that only 2 percent of them were impacted by that, but that's all I see. I think that would correct the record about at least my perspective on the same data. MR. ROWE: Ms. Carpino, we don't have any of that data, and that may be the subject of a further request. We didn't say anything to the extent that Mr. Clancy was referring to our testimony, but to the extent that he returns now and supplements a data request that was late-provided to us anyway, we think that's problematic. WITNESS CLANCY: I'm referring to exactly what John discussed. MR. OXMAN: That's DTE No. 8.

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I want to make.

WITNESS CLANCY: Again referring to Mr.

Maguire's chart. This would be on maintenance 2 3 variables, so it would be referencing Page 1 and 2

4 of the chart. Under DSL and digital, it has it

5 looks like CLECs' testing and isolate the trouble is

the only variable. The CLEC gets to test the loop 6

7 and refer a trouble ticket to Verizon. It is then 8 up to Verizon techs to use their own capability.

9 their own technical capability, their own tools and

10 skills to find trouble that's been referred over.

So I would say that there should be another box there that includes the joint responsibility that Mr. Maguire referred to when he introduced this document, that there are joint responsibilities.

That's the extent of my comments.

MR. OXMAN: Covad will endeavor to provide that information to Verizon as soon as possible. I don't know where it's at, but I'll find out as soon as I can. I would note in response to

20 21 the suggestion that we acted inappropriately in

22 raising it, that Verizon not only raised the issue 23 but characterized our response to the Department's

24 inquiry as inaccurate and misleading. I think it

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2 MR. ROWE: That's my point. 3 MS. CARPINO: Was there an attachment to 4 that response? 5 MR. OXMAN: With the actual orders? I 6 believe there was. 7 MR. ROWE: Not that we have. 8 MS. CARPINO: Could you provide that to 9 Verizon? 10 MR. ROWE: My point was, Mr. Clancy had 11 time to put in his response. We had very little 12 time to address it. Now he's adding to his response 13 on the record, and I don't think it's appropriate, 14 given the ground rules for this proceeding. 15 MS. CARPINO: We'll give you the 16 opportunity to review the supporting documentation 17 to that response and then to respond further. 18 MR. ROWE: Thank you. MS. CARPINO: Does it make sense for 19 20 Verizon to address some of Mr. Clancy's --

Or we can go to Ms. Cutcher?

MS. CARPINO: Okay.

WITNESS CLANCY: I have one other point

MR. ROWE: It's a summary only.

thing you were looking at.

WITNESS CLANCY: I'm looking at the same

was appropriate for us to respond to that. MS. CARPINO: Ms. Cutcher? MS. CUTCHER: I have a relatively brief statement to make on maintenance issues. In January of 1999 I joined Covad, and my position at the time was vice-president of operations for New England. which for all intents and purposes consisted mainly of loop activity in Massachusetts. My technicians were responsible for doing the loop installation and maintenance.

Sometime in the spring of 1999 Verizon, then Bell Atlantic, made the decision to move the work responsibility for installation and maintenance of wholesale loops from their POTS technicians, the regular installation and maintenance group, to a special work group called at the time special services. At that point in time I reached out to John Reed, an employee of Verizon, who is the director of special services, to ask for a meeting so that we could sit down and talk about the loop-provisioning and maintenance problems that Covad was having in Massachusetts. John Reed and myself, as well as John's entire second-level

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24 manager team, sat down and we from Covad took John

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and his team through the Covad provisioning process. so he and his team would have a full understanding of how we do what we do. We also shared with him in great detail information, data around loopprovisioning and maintenance results.

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Going forward from that date, I shared with John Reed, as well as John Griffin, who was the VP of wholesale services, on a weekly basis details of our loop-provisioning and maintenance experience with Bell Atlantic at the time. Specifically, Mr. Reed was given on a weekly basis individual circuit IDs, specific problems with those loops, so he could do troubleshooting with his team, rootcause analysis, find out what went wrong, in hopes of making things better.

We also spent a lot of time talking about diagnostic tools, the kinds of tools and equipment that Covad folks have, so when they troubleshoot and install loops that the possibility existed, if Verizon was willing to make the expenditure to purchase such equipment, they would have the same capabilities available to them. We also offered to give to Verizon routers, which sit at the end of the loop, so they could see the same

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also subsequently developed the ability to send tone 2 on our line, which is another testing tool

3 available. We also have some end users who are very

4 sophisticated, who have the ability to monitor their 5

connection and share with us, and we have in turn

6 shared it with Verizon, specifics around uptime and 7 downtime and specific times and durations.

So, you know, again, Covad has proactively added capabilities into their network to help improve the maintenance experience that we've had.

MS. CARPINO: Thank you. Off the record for a moment.

(Discussion off the record.)

15 MS. CARPINO: Let's go back on the 16 record. We'll continue on with statements by the 17 CLECs. Ms. Lichtenberg, you have a few comments to 18 make?

19 WITNESS LICHTENBERG: I want to speak 20 fairly quickly about the business implications of 21 the technical discussions that we've heard from

22 Covad and others today. As you know, WorldCom is in

23 the business of providing ubiquitous customer

24 residential services. Today we offer voice services

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kind of loop-characteristic signals that we see on a good loop.

So the point I'm trying to make is that we, Covad, have a pattern of proactively going out to share data, specifics, detail with Verizon in the hopes of helping them to improve loop-delivery performance.

The next point I'd like to make does go back to Mr. Maguire's chart and the boxes that we referred to. I would like to take exception to the statement --

MS. CARPINO: This is the second page? WITNESS CUTCHER: The first page,

actually. Mr. Maguire made a statement that inferred that the reason why there was such a difference between wholesale and retail maintenance results had to do with Verizon's lack of tools. So I'm assuming referring to the kinds of boxes that are on the chart. I would suggest, in addition to what Mr. Clancy mentioned, that we have and always

21 have had white noise on our lines, as opposed to 22 dial tone. This is something that specifically the

23 special-services organization is familiar with. 24

It's something they're used to listening for. We

in New York, in Texas, and as of last night in Pennsylvania. We are moving towards the ability to

2 3 offer DSL; and indeed, when I get back to the office 4 tomorrow, we are looking at our business plans.

5 The concerns that we have are the 6 ability to offer this ubiquitously and the tools and 7 the OSS that are available to us as we move forward. 8 Verizon is working towards that now in New York; in

9 Pennsylvania, which has a date for the OSS, as was

10 mentioned earlier; and to some extent in

Massachusetts. But we aren't there yet, and we need 11

12 to keep working toward being there. To date the

13 Verizon affiliate for DSL is not active in

14 Massachusetts, so we have no way of knowing what

15 happened with a company that stands in the same

shoes as a CLEC and tries to provision this sort of 16

services, as the FCC has recommended in their other 17 18 proceedings.

19 There is little experience with DSL, 20 particularly in the line-sharing world. The COs are 21 coming up. They will be there. But we are learning

22 as we go. It's still early. And we heard today

23 that while the OSS is here, there is no flow-through

24 yet, and the kind of production activity has been

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Page 4389 those 198, 98 percent of the access lines with collo 1 1 limited. 2 We want to be in this business, and we 2 are covered by those 198 wire centers. 3 3 want to offer consumers a choice. It's important. 4 though, that we get all of the proceedings here in 4 5 Massachusetts completed and reviewed and the changes 5 6 in requirements made before we really know and state 6 7 7 that the market is open. And I encourage this 8 8 Department to continue to think in that direction as 9 we go through these discussions. 9 10 MS. CARPINO: Thank you. 10 WITNESS LICHTENBERG: You're welcome. 11 11 12 MS. CARPINO: Mr. Clancy raised some 12 13 points in his comments -- raised some questions that 13 were in the form of comments. Would Verizon care to 14 14 15 15 respond to those? 16 16 MR. ROWE: I don't know whether there 17 17 are any further questions from the Bench. Then I 18 18 would like to take a couple of minutes and talk with 19 19 all of my panelists and return and respond, if we 20 20 can. 21 21 MS. CARPINO: Why don't we take five 22 minutes. 22 23 (Recess taken.) 23 24 24 MS. CARPINO: Let's go back on the Page 4390 record. Mr. Rowe, do your witnesses have any In the month of May is when you ordered the 2 comments 2 3 MR. ROWE: Yes, Mr. White would like to 3 4

So the good news is we continue to move forward to populate another 28, and we also add the fields not just in the 28, but in all 198. The second point. I would like to be able to think I could change one of my statements that Mr. Clancy thought was -- from misleading to misunderstanding, because if I didn't say it correctly this morning, let me say it correctly and maybe we can reach agreement on this. What I said is that if applications were submitted in March, we could complete them by the June 6th date. However, we would project-manage anything that came in by April 15th. That I believe is what was agreed upon. And based on the April 15th schedule. which Covad did submit applications for Massachusetts by April 15th, we would have the first group of 25 completed by June 15th, which is the date you said earlier. That time line was based on best efforts, which were your words, based on material availability; and in order to have the first batch completed by June 15th, we needed the splitters three weeks before, in the month of May.

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4 respond to two points. AMY STERN, THOMAS MAGUIRE, JOHN WHITE, 5 and BETH ABESAMIS, Witnesses 6 7 WITNESS WHITE: The first comment I have 8 is just a question that was raised; I think I can 9 answer it. We did earlier this year say that we 10 could add the additional fields in the database to 11 provide whether there was RT information on there. 12 We said that we would do it on a going-forward 13 basis. Since that time we completed 28 additional 14 wire centers. 15 However, back in April we went back into the database and populated all, and actually it's 16 198 wire centers that have that information in 17 there, since April. 18 19 MR. CLANCY: Massachusetts? 20 WITNESS WHITE: That's just in 21 Massachusetts. That's all I can think about. 22 (Laughter.) 23 WITNESS WHITE: So they are all in there 24 at this point. If I looked at the access lines in

splitters, as per your data request that I referenced this morning. You received them in June and shipped them to us in July. 5 So I just want to be sure that we are working best efforts, and we are working together, 6 7 but I don't want to be categorized as we held that 8 up at all. That's all I have to say. 9 MR. ROWE: That completes our response. 10 MR. OXMAN: I have one followup to that 11 for Mr. White. 12 **CROSS-EXAMINATION** 13 BY MR. OXMAN: O. Is the strike at all affecting continued 14 15 rollout of line sharing in Massachusetts? 16 A. [WHITE] Yes, Karen McGuire is working 17 putting in the relay racks and bays. 18 WITNESS CLANCY: Let her leave now. 19 (Laughter.) 20 A. [WHITE] And I've been assigned on weekends 21 to work on any Covad repair troubles. 22 WITNESS CLANCY: Oh, no. 23 (Laughter.) 24 A. [WHITE] I don't discriminate; I do all the

Page 4393 Page 4395 CLECs. 1 WITNESS THOMAS MAGUIRE: That's what our 1 2 Q. You mentioned earlier this morning that in 2 studies show. 3 3 your analysis of our backlog orders that we provided MS. HONG: So that extends mean time to 4 to you that 31 percent of those August orders had 4 prepare. 5 not been provisioned because of the strike. Do you 5 WITNESS THOMAS MAGUIRE: So I'm trying know if Verizon's Infospeed retail DSL service is 6 to verify whether that's true. 6 being provisioned in Massachusetts? 7 A. [CLANCY] I think that would be true for any 7 A. [WHITE] There are no installation orders 8 8 business customer, because businesses normally 9 9 being provisioned for anyone. aren't open on Saturdays. As our volume increases, 10 Q. So no provisioning of Infospeed retail 10 the trend of having a predominance of residence 11 Verizon service. 11 rather than business customers, especially with 12 A. [WHITE] That's correct. 12 line-sharing, this will have a big impact, because 13 line-sharing is primarily a residential service. 13 Q. Thanks. 14 MINDA J. CUTCHER, JOHN BERARD, MICHAEL 14 What will happen is, if we're given a 15 CLANCY, ROBERT G. WILLIAMS, Witnesses 15 Saturday appointment, we'd have to contact the end 16 **EXAMINATION** 16 user and make sure they're not going to be at the 17 BY MS. HONG: 17 Cape, something like that. Sorry; down the Cape. I 18 Q. I have just one question with respect to 18 stand corrected. 19 MS. CARPINO: Ms. Reed, did you have any 19 maintenance and repair for Ms. Cutcher. Verizon 20 says that when a maintenance and repair appointment 20 questions for the CLEC witness? falls on Friday, CLEC customers prefer a Monday 21 MS. REED: Not at this time. Thank you. 21 22 appointment. Is that true? 22 MS. CARPINO: Mr. Rowe, do you have any 23 A. [CUTCHER] I'm not aware of that. 23 questions for the CLEC witness? 24 Q. Anyone from the CLEC witnesses? 24 MR. ROWE: We have no questions for the Page 4394 Page 4396 A. [WILLIAMS] I'm not aware of that. That we CLEC witnesses. want Monday instead of Friday? 2 MS. CARPINO: Off the record for a 3 A. [CUTCHER] We'd take Saturday. 3 moment. 4 A. [WILLIAMS] I thought you said Friday --4 (Discussion off the record.) 5 Q. Let me refer you to Verizon's supplemental 5 CHAIRMAN CONNELLY: Let's go back on the checklist affidavit at 138, Paragraph 138. 6 record for a minute. Before we close out, I wanted 6 7 MR. ROWE: Mr. Maguire advises me that 7 to just end the week by thanking everyone who has 8 you may be confused. It's the Saturday appointment participated here today and throughout this week. 8 9 9 issue. Monday rather than Saturday. People may have We all look forward to your continued participation 10 misheard and think that that's a Friday appointment. 10 next week. It's gone very smoothly thanks to the It was really a trouble occurring on Friday being 11 willingness of everyone to heed the ground rules 11 that focus on clearing up factual questions and 12 appointed for Saturday. 13 supplementing things, and not simply going over MS. HONG: I'm sorry; would you repeat 13 that? 14 14 what's already a matter of record in your recently 15 MR. ROWE: The testimony from Mr. 15 filed comments. So we thank you all very much for Maguire, and you're referring to it, talks about a 16 that. Unless there's any further business, why 16 trouble reported on Friday that could potentially be 17 17 don't we retire, close it out for today and come 18 appointed for Saturday and is instead appointed for 18 back on Monday, at which hour? 19 Monday. So it's not a Friday appointment issue. If 19 MS. CARPINO: 10:00? 20 you want to call it a Saturday appointment issue. 20 CHAIRMAN CONNELLY: 10:00 looks like the 21 that's what it would be. 21 hour on Monday. Thank you all very much. 22 MS. HONG: But the CLEC customers prefer 22 (3:08 p.m.)23 a Monday appointment instead of Saturday; right? 23 24 MR. ROWE: Yes. 24

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